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TO: FBIS.

FOR:

SLUG: WNINTEL

SUBJECT: ARCHITECT/ENGINEER SURVEY OF OPERATIONS BUILDING

REF: NONE

TEXT:

FOR: OPS

1. IN MY 12 MARCH 91 LETTER ON THE JFIP BUSINESS, I SUGGESTED THAT WE ASK AN ARCHITECT/ENGINEER FROM RE & CD TO SURVEY THE BUREAU OPERATIONS BUILDING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALERTING US TO AND DOCUMENTING MAINTENANCE AND/OR STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS. CLEARLY, THIS OLD BUILDING HAS PROBLEMS (CORRODING REBAR, DETERIORATING DUCTS, ASBESTOS, ETC.), AND IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO GET A HANDLE ON WHAT ELSE MAY BE LURKING BEHIND THE PAINT WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT, HOW SERIOUS THE PROBLEMS ARE, WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO KEEP THE PLACE GOING FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, AND WHAT PROBLEMS WE MAY FACE IF WE HAVE TO KEEP IT GOING MUCH LONGER THAN THAT. OBVIOUSLY, IT WILL BE USEFUL TO HAVE THIS INFORMATION WHETHER WE CAN REPLACE THE BUILDING UNDER JFIP OR SOME OTHER SOURCE OF FUNDING, OR IF WE HAVE TO LIVE WITH THIS BUILDING INDEFINITELY.

2. WITH THAT IN MIND, I HAVE TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THE CURRENT TDY VISIT OF IDEN TO ASK ABOUT THE PROSPECT FOR GETTING SUCH A SURVEY DONE. HE HAS NO PROBLEM WITH PROVIDING SOMEONE FROM FMG WITH THE NECESSARY BACKGROUND, AND BELIEVES HE CAN HAVE SOMEONE ON A PLANE IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE IF C/OPS WISHES TO PROCEED WITH THIS PROJECT. HE WILL BE BACK AT WORK FOLLOWING HIS CURRENT TRIP ON 15 OCT AND ASKS THAT YOU GIVE HIM A CALL AT IDEN PHONE NUMBER. DECL

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